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An account of the cauſe and manner of the extraordinary diſmiſſion of Lord E--c---e, *from the poſt of Treaſurer of his Majeſty's houſhold.*

ABOUT the 20th of November 1766, the Miniſter ſent a note to Lord E--c---e, acquainting his Lordſhip, "That a great "Perſonage had determined "upon making ſome alterations in his ſervants; and that he [the Miniſter] ſhould "be glad to ſee Lord E--c---e in Bond-"ſtreet, or would wait upon his Lordſhip in "Upper Groſvenor-ſtreet." Lord E--c---e directly waited upon the Miniſter in Bond-ſtreet. The Miniſter began with highly commending his Lordſhip's abilities, his virtues, his integrity, and recited the contents of his letter. Then, after many pauſes, and inarticulate ſounds, he ſaid, "He "was very ſorry for it, was extremely con-"cerned it ſhould happen ſo --- but --- a --- "it was neceſſary---a---." Here Lord E--c---e ſtopped him ſhort, and bluntly demanded "If his poſt was deſtined for another?" The Miniſter, after a little pauſe, and uttering a few more broken ſentences, acknowledged that it was, and that it had been ſo for ſome time. Lord E--c---e then proceeded to remind him of the meaſures of the late oppoſition; "that he had, for four years, ſteadily and uniformly ſupported thoſe meaſures; meaſures which he [the Miniſter] had approved and adopted, and which were now happily effected: That he had never deſerted any of the great queſtions upon the ſubjects of the liberties and intereſts of the country; and expreſſed his aſtoniſhment that this treatment ſhould be the reward of a conduct that had manifeſtly the approbation of, and was agreeable to the ſpirit and principles of the Miniſter, while in oppoſition." The force of theſe truths, and this concluſion, obviouſly made an impreſſion upon the Miniſter, and he ſaid, "that however unwilling a great Perſonage was to increaſe the number of his Lords of the bed-chamber, yet he [the Miniſter] would nevertheleſs venture to place his Lordſhip upon that liſt." Lord E--c---e directly made anſwer, "that however willing he really was to hold ſome place, in order that he might continue in office with his friends, and ſupport the meaſures of government, yet, after this uſage, he would not take any place, nor reſign that which he held, to any but the Great Perſonage himſelf." And added, "that it was extremely impolitic thus to turn out perſons of rank; perſons of great parliamentary intereſt." The Miniſter burſt out, Oh!" ſaid he, "if that be the caſe, *let me feel myſelf!* I deſpiſe your parliamentary intereſt! I do not want your aſſiſtance!" And added, that he truſted to the uprightneſs of his meaſures for the ſupport and confidence of the K—, and the favour and attachment of the people; and acting upon theſe principles, ſaid he, *I dare look in the face the proudeſt connections of this country**." They parted.

Two days after, Lord E--c---e received a note, ſignifying a great perſon's deſire of his ſtaff. On Monday, the 24th of November, 1766, he waited on the great perſon, who ſaid, "that he was very ſorry to part with his Lordſhip, of whoſe ſervices he had a very high opinion, as well as of his Lordſhip's abilities, and attachment to his perſon, and eſpecially becauſe his Lordſhip had no mixture of factious principles in his diſpoſition. But," ſays he, "my M—s tell me it muſt be ſo;" and added, "that the idea of the bed-chamber was purely his own." Lord E--c---e returned the Great Perſon his ſincere and moſt humble thanks for the good opinion he was pleaſed to entertain of him; and expreſſed the great obligation he was under for it; and the more ſo," added he, "for not preſſing the bed-chamber upon me; all which more than pay me for the ill uſage of your Miniſters."

* *Ward, which he afterwards repeated in a different place.*

The ſtaff was given up, and Mr. Sh-ll-y ‡ appointed Treaſurer of the houſhold.

Next day the Earl of Beſsborough, who was one of the joint Poſt-maſters, offered to make room for Lord E--c---e by reſigning that poſt in favour of his Lordſhip, and taking the bed-chamber, which had been offered to that Lord. But this obliging offer was rejected. Upon which the Duke of Portland, the Earls of Beſsborough and Scarborough, and Lord Monſon, reſigned the next day, which was Wedneſday, November 26, 1766. And theſe reſignations were immediately followed by thoſe of Sir Charles Saunders, Sir William Meredith, Admiral Keppel, &c.

‡ *Nephew to the Duke of N--c--t-e*

Facts, ſaid to be miſrepreſented, impartially ſtated.

AS theſe court anecdotes are taken from the Political Regiſter, to render our ſelections perfect, we muſt follow the informations communicated to the editor. In that part of the narrative of a late intereſting conference, therefore, that relates to Lord Temple and Mr. Grenville, the facts are ſaid to be miſrepreſented. Speaking of them, it is ſaid, "Their joint anſwer was an exact concurrence with the Duke of Bedford, into whoſe hands they committed the entire management of this negotiation. They ſaid they would take nothing themſelves, for the ſame laudable reaſons which had influenced his Grace, and they only deſired, as he had done, that their friends might be conſidered, and upon that condition, they promiſed to ſupport the new adminiſtration, with all their power and ability."

Through what channel ſuch a miſrepreſentation of the conduct of the noble Earl and his brother has come, it is immaterial to enquire. The fact is, that upon an overture made by the Marquiſs of R--k----h-m, to the Duke of B--f--d, to make part of an a---n deſigned to be formed, his Grace with a firmneſs and dignity highly becoming, replied, that he and Lord T---- and Mr. G---v---e were one, and that he would not proceed without conſulting them. The information given concerning the plan was, that as to meaſures, particularly American meaſures, Lord R--k---h-m hoped they might be ſettled to the joint ſatisfaction of the Duke of B--f--d, Lord T--p-e, and Mr. G---v---e, and as to men, Lord R------ declared for a wide and comprehenſive ſyſtem. The anſwer returned to this communication by Lord T--p-e and Mr. G---v---e, was, that they concurred in the idea of a comprehenſive adminiſtration, as the likelieſt to be permanent, and that they were ready to ſupport ſuch an a----n, though out of office, (Mr. G---v---e having before inſiſted that his name ſhould not be mentioned for any office, having determined long ago not to be obtruded on the K---) provided they adopted ſuch meaſures as could ſatisfy them, and particularly the capital meaſure of aſſerting and eſtabliſhing the Sovereignty of Great-Britain over America; laſtly, that if this were the caſe, though they did not mean to take places themſelves, they would uſe their beſt offices with their friends to accept of honourable and becoming ſituations in government.

I underſtand that this was the ſubſtance of the anſwer given, which ſpeaks ſufficiently for itſelf, and which is the more neceſſary to be known, becauſe many have concluded, from the narrative, that it was only a ſquabble about places, whereas Lord T--p-e and his brother expreſsly renounced office for themſelves, and contended only for meaſures†, for ſuch meaſures as they thought eſſential to the credit and welfare of this country, promiſing a chearful ſupport to an adminiſtration acting upon theſe principles.

† *It happens, however, that theſe meaſures have already proved very diſadvantageous to the commerce of theſe kingdoms; and if purſued in the manner theſe Gentlemen ſeem to wiſh, will terminate in the ruin, not of individuals only, but of whole communities and bodies of manufacturers, who muſt either leave their country, or ſtarve in it. It is, in ſuch caſes as theſe, a misfortune that perſons of high rank are too far exalted above the level of the labouring poor, to feel their grievances; and it is ſtill a greater misfortune, that any claſs of men, however exalted, ſhould, under the ſpecious character of patriotiſm, attempt to deprive a conſiderable part of their fellow ſubjects of their natural and inherit priviledges*

From the Public Advertiſer.

I FIND that your paper is diſtinguiſhed by a particular kind of humour, which ſome of your correſpondents have been very happy in; I mean ſuch articles, as you are uſed to range under the title of *Intelligence Extraordinary*. The following are therefore at your ſervice, if you think they have merit ſufficient for inſertion.

I am your humble ſervant,
FUNDUM KIGGIDOS.

IN the preſent dearneſs of all kinds of proviſions, it muſt undoubtedly give great ſatisfaction to the *poor*, as well as *private* families, to be informed, that the price of *Turtle* is fallen from 4s. 6d. and 4s. to 3s. and 2s. 9d. per pound, which is certainly very reaſonable, conſidering that the ſhell and other indigeſtible parts do not weigh above two thirds of the whole.

Laſt Saturday night was broke open a barber's ſhop; when the villains had the audacity to ſteal from thence the Rector of the pariſh's *wig*; by which means the pariſhioners were deprived of hearing an excellent ſermon from it the next morning.

At a church in *North Wales* the whole ſum collected by a brief for a terrible fire, amounted to *one farthing*, which was given by the Curate, who declared it was the moſt he could afford to give, out of 10l. per annum, conſidering he had a wife and ſix ſmall children.

Yeſterday morning Mr. *Gorge*, an eminent oilman, and one of the Common-Council, was found dead in his bed. He had ate a very hearty dinner the day before of turtle and veniſon.

The ſame day a large ſow, belonging to an eminent diſtiller, was found dead *drunk* in her ſtye. She had ate a great quantity of cherries uſed in making cherry brandy.

Late laſt night a gentlewoman was *taken up* in----Burying-ground. She was afterwards removed by *Habeas Corpus* to a ſurgeon's, where ſhe is to undergo a cloſe examination.

On Wedneſday laſt as ſome *fellows* were making merry at the ſign of the *Golden Ball* in Warwick lane, ſeveral *licentious* perſons, with a blackſmith at their head, ſuddenly preſſed themſelves at the door, and inſiſted on taking a pipe and tankard along with them, alledging that there was room enough for *more* company; whereupon one of the *fellows* within preſented a large *ſquirt* at the rioters, which happily *operated* as was intended, by giving the whole corps an immediate *motion*.

'Tis thought that a late arrangement will certainly give permanence to adminiſtration; and therefore no changes are expected for ſome minutes to come.

Yeſterday morning, the weather being favourable, Lord Chatham took an airing on Hampſtead Heath.--An example worthy to be imitated, by ſuch of us as are friends to our *conſtitution*!

The following ſhocking murders were lately committed in a nobleman's kitchen by a *French* cook. A ſucking pig was whipped to death, and a lobſter roaſted alive.

Laſt Thurſday, at the muſtering of the city train bands, a quarrel happened between two of the officers, a cheeſemonger and a haberdaſher; in conſequence of which a duel was to have been fought the next morning; but both the parties having got drunk over night, they happily overſlept themſelves, and no bloodſhed enſued.

To morrow the noted *Filch* will ſet out upon his travels into foreign parts.

The ſame day *Bob Booty alias Bloody Bob*, will pay a viſit to *John Ketch*, Eſq; near *Paddington*, where he will make but a ſhort ſtay, and afterwards proceed to his country ſeat on *Houſlow Heath*, where he will reſide as long as the weather will permit.

Laſt Sunday the clerk of St. -----'s pariſh was ſeized with a *ſinging in his head*, a little before ſermon. He afterwards raved *to ſome tune*, and belaboured the congregation about the *ears* with two ſtaves, which he had ſelected from a great number for that purpoſe, pretending it was *to the praiſe and glory of G-d*.

We hear the commiſſioners of a certain turnpike have *made away* with the money which they had collected.

By the Lord Baltimore, Capt. Mitchell, arrived in York river, from London, we have the following advices, viz,

BERLIN, *November* 4.

THE King has invited ſeveral Engliſh practitioners to ſettle in this city, for the purpoſe of inoculating the ſmall-pox, and has ordered a houſe to be prepared for them with all neceſſaries. They are to begin with the children of the orphan houſe.

Naples, Nov. 20. The eruption of Veſuvius, has not yet ceaſed. On the 21ſt, at night, the Lava, which was running towards San Joria, ſuddenly ſtopped; but about eleven the next morning there was a freſh exploſion; a ſhower of aſhes fell for near three hours, and the Lava reſumed its courſe. Theſe accidents have been attended with violent ſhocks, with very little intermiſſion.

Paris, Nov. 13. According to a calculation of the inhabitants of France, made by Abbe Expilly, this kingdom contains at preſent 23,[illegible] ſouls, including both ſexes. The [illegible] of 900,000.

Copenhagen, Nov. 6. The King has appointed a commiſſion to conſider of methods to fertilize the ſoil of Denmark.

LONDON, *November* 24.

Sunday two horſes ſuddenly dropped down dead at a Livery ſtable in Oxford road, as they were unharneſſing from a poſt-chaiſe, which had brought a Gentleman and Lady from Barnet. It is generally thought moderate exerciſe of the horſes now ill is of uſe, but hard work kills them.

Nov. 26. There is now living, at his ſeat in Eſſex, a Gentleman named Fleetwood Shepherd, Eſq; who is 120 years of age, enjoys an unuſual flow of ſpirits and vivacity, and the uſe of his ſenſes, and is mentioned, in a very honourable manner, by the late celebrated Matthew Prior, in his poems.

One day laſt week a great mob aroſe at Kidderminſter, in Worceſterſhire, to the number of near 2000, who obliged the farmers to ſell their wheat at 5s. a buſhel, which before was ſold at 7s. and at the ſame time obliged them to ſell their butter for 6d. a pound, which before was ſold at 8d. They all paid for what they had, and then went home very peaceably.

Extract of a letter from Naples, *October* 27.

"Laſt week has exhibited repeated ſcenes of horror, the eruption of Mount Veſuvius having continued with great violence; many fine vineyards are deſtroyed, and ſome villas, but his Sicilian Majeſty's palace, and the muſeum of Portici, have eſcaped, by the Lava's taking another courſe, when it was within a mile and a half of them. From Monday laſt till this day, although this weather has been fine and calm, we have not ſeen the ſun clear; [illegible] aſhes were ſo thick in the air, as to give the ſun the appearance of a clouded moon. This conculſion of the air, from the exploſions of the mountain, was ſo violent on Monday and Tueſday night, and on Thurſday noon, that many doors and windows, even at Naples, were forced open by them. At Portici, in the King's palace, a door that was locked was forced open; yet we do not find, except upon the mountain itſelf, that there have been any earthquakes. The exploſions and concuſſions of the air were moſt terrible on Tueſday. We obſerved that the noiſe generally continued, each time, between five and ſix hours, and then ceaſed as ſuddenly as it began. The ſtones thrown up by theſe exploſions were of an enormous ſize, and were thrown between five and ſix hundred feet high, and many of them fell more than half a mile from the Crater. The clouds which iſſued from the mouth of the Volcano, and hung over it, ſtriking one againſt the other, occaſioned continued flaſhes of forked lightning, the thunder of which was heard when the mountain was ſilent.

The mountain is now calm, and the Lava's no longer run. This eruption is univerſally allowed to be the moſt violent that has happened this century, both as to the loudneſs of the exploſions, which were heard above 30 miles from Naples, and to the quantity of the Lava. It is impoſſible to deſcribe the confuſion this capitol has been in for a week paſt."

They write from Paris, that there are four State priſoners brought home in one of their Eaſt-Indiamen, two of whom were members of the Superior Council of Pondicherry, and they are ſaid to be charged with having caballed, in order to form diviſions there, and abridge the authority of Mr. Law, Commiſſary and Commandant General of the French ſettlements in that country.

A young lady of a large fortune, not far from Bedford row, made an elopement laſt Saturday evening with a journeyman mercer, and it is thought they are gone to Scotland.

Nov. 27. It is an acknowledged fact among the firſt ranks, who are now returned from the different counties, that a general diſtreſs at this time reigns among the poorer ſort throughout the kingdom. It is equally true, that the principal cauſe of this calamity is the failure in the laſt harveſt, and the want of an old ſtock of corn in hand, as formerly. If we may credit the opinions of ſome of the London bakers, the effects will be more ſeverely felt; for they think, that the quartern loaf will probably be ſold this winter at a ſhilling. What rather adds to the public apprehenſion, is the preſent ſcarcity of corn throughout Europe. The only part of the world from which we hear of no want in this article is America: From thence we might 'ere this have been amply ſupplied, had our ports been opened, upon a certainty, for any conſiderable length of time; for the merchant, who is uncertain whether American corn may

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dependent on the kingdom of Naples."

A letter from an Engliſh Gentleman at Paris to his friend in London, dated Nov. 13.

"An arret of Council of State has juſt been iſſued here, for apprehending and confining all vagabonds and perſons without a viſible way of living; ſo that I preſume many of them, as has been cuſtomary on ſuch occaſions, will repair to London, where there is no fear of their getting a livelihood in ſome way or other; for a Frenchman has the effrontery to undertake any thing, whether he underſtands it or not; and Engliſhmen are ſuch dupes to the people of this nation, that they always think them ſuperior to their own honeſt and ingenious countrymen, though the former are oftentimes moſt egregious blockheads."

They write from the Cove of Cork, that the remains of a wreck was lately caſt on ſhore near that place, together with a foreign Mediterranean paſs.

The burying ground in Oxford road, belonging to the pariſh of St. George, Hanover-Square, having been lately robbed of ſeveral dead bodies, a watch was placed there, attended by a large maſtiff dog; notwithſtanding which, on Sunday night laſt, ſome villains found means to ſteal out another dead body, and carried off the very dog.

On Monday died at Felix, near Land-guard Fort, Thomas Anderſon and his wife, who were both taken ill the ſame day: One was aged 94, the other 93; they had been married 70 years, and were buried in the ſame grave.

They write from Peterſburg, that her Imperial Majeſty has authorized the practice of inoculation in the dominions of Ruſſia; ſome Engliſh phyſicians, of great reputation in the art, being ſoon expected in that capital.

There is now living in the pariſh workhouſe of Bletchingley, Surry, John Stevens, in the 103d year of his age, who ſtill retains all his faculties, except a diſtinct pronunciation of ſpeech: He has now living of children, grand children, great grand children, &c. eighty three.

Dec. 1. Laſt night about 7 o'clock, the young Prince, fourth ſon of their preſent Majeſties, was baptized at St. James's by the Lord Biſhop of London, his Grace the Archbiſhop of Canterbury being indiſpoſed, by the name of EDWARD. Their Serene Highneſſes the Hereditary Prince and Princeſs of Brunſwick, the reigning Prince of Mecklenburgh-Strelitz, brother to her Majeſty, and her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of Heſſe, were Sponſors.

Extract of a letter from Reading, dated November 28.

"Mr. Alder, the cooper of Abingdon, to whom the 20,000l. prize lately fell, on his being acquainted with the good news, ſet the bells a ringing, kept open houſe, and came to the following reſolution, viz. That the meſſenger who came down, and the two bluecoat boys who drew the prize, ſhould be handſomely rewarded; that he would give Mr. Blewitt, owner of the Abingdon machine, at leaſt a new body for his ſtage, on which ſhould be painted the coopers arms, together with the number of his ticket, 3379; that he would cloath all the neceſſitous of his own pariſh; and likewiſe give a couple of the fineſt fat oxen he could purchaſe, to the poor of Abingdon in general, and lay out the price of theſe oxen in bread, to be diſtributed at the ſame time.

"To the ringers, in number 14, he gave liquor in plenty, and a guinea each; and calling for a wet mop, rubbed out all the ale ſcores in his kitchen: In a word, he diſplayed a noble liberality, made every body welcome; and what is highly to be applauded, ſhewed a charitable diſpoſition towards the relief of the poor.

"But during all the jollity occaſioned by this event, it ſeems Mrs. Alder was in no wiſe elated, but rather thought the having ſuch a great deal of money a misfortune; and ſeemed of opinion that it would have been better to have had enough to pay the brewer, and a few pounds to ſpare; for it would now certainly be their ruin, as ſhe feared her huſband would give away all they had in the world; and indeed ſhe thought it was preſumptuous in him at firſt to buy the ticket.

"Mr. Alder, before this acquiſition of fortune, kept a litte public houſe, the ſign of the Mitre, in the Stert, Abingdon; was himſelf by trade a cooper, as is his ſon, which is all the family he has living; and there is but one grandchild.

They write from Conſtantinople, that Haſſan Bey, a famous pyrate, who had committed divers robberies on the Euxine Sea, and had plundered ſeveral Turkiſh Saiks, during the late war with Georgia, was taken and impaled; he offered five hundred thouſand gold chequins for his life.

We are informed that No. 3,576, drawn Yeſterday a prize of 10,000l. is the property of Mr. Cappadocia, an eminent Jew merchant of this city.

The 4000l. prize in the Iriſh lottery, we are told, belongs to a linen-draper in Bond-ſtreet, Piccadilly.

Weſtminſter, November 24.

THIS day his Majeſty came to the Houſe of Peers, and being in his royal robes ſeated on the throne with the uſual ſolemnity, Sir Francis Molyneux, Knt. Gentleman Uſher of the Black Rod, was ſent with a meſſage from his Majeſty to the Houſe of Commons, commanding their attendance in the Houſe of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, his Majeſty was pleaſed to make the following moſt gracious ſpeech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I HAVE choſen to call you together at this ſeaſon of the year, that my Parliament might have full time for their deliberations upon all ſuch branches of the public ſervice as may require their immediate attention, without the neceſſity of continuing the ſeſſion beyond the time moſt ſuitable to my people for the election of a new Parliament: And I doubt not, but you will be careful, from the ſame conſiderations, to avoid, in your proceedings, all unneceſſary delay.

Nothing in the preſent ſituation of affairs abroad gives me reaſon to apprehend, that you will be prevented, by any interruption of the public tranquility, from fixing your whole attention upon ſuch points as concern the internal welfare and proſperity of my people.

Among theſe objects of a domeſtic nature, none can demand a more ſpeedy or more ſerious attention, than what regards the high price of corn; which, neither the ſalutary laws paſſed in the laſt ſeſſion of Parliament, nor the produce of the late harveſt, have yet been able ſo far to reduce, as to give ſufficient relief to the diſtreſſes of the poorer ſort of my people. Your late reſidence in your ſeveral counties muſt have enabled you to judge, whether any farther proviſions can be made, conducive, to the attainment of ſo deſirable an end.

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Commons,

I will order the proper officers to lay before you the eſtimates of the enſuing year.

The experience I have had of your conſtant readineſs to grant me all ſuch ſupplies as ſhould be found neceſſary, for the ſecurity, intereſt, and honour of the nation, (and I have no other to aſk of you) renders it unneceſſary for me to add any exhortations upon this head; and I doubt not, but the ſame public conſiderations will induce you to perſevere, with equal alacrity, in your endeavours to diminiſh the national debt; while, on my part, no care ſhall be wanting to contribute, as far as poſſible, to the attainment of that moſt eſſential object, by every frugal application of ſuch ſupplies as you ſhall grant.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The neceſſity of improving the preſent general tranquility to the great purpoſe of maintaining the ſtrength, the reputation, and the proſperity of this country, ought to be ever before your eyes. To render your deliberations for that purpoſe ſucceſsful, endeavour to cultivate a ſpirit of harmony among yourſelves. My concurrence in whatever will promote the happineſs of my people, you may always depend upon: And in that light, I ſhall be deſirous of encouraging union among all thoſe, who wiſh well to their country.

The following is his Majeſty's anſwer to the addreſs of the Hon. Houſe of Commons, preſented to his Majeſty on Thurſday laſt:

"Gentlemen,

"I return you my very ſincere thanks for your dutiful and loyal addreſs; the part you take in the late happy event in my family, completes the ſatisfaction which I receive from it; and your affection to me appears equally manifeſt, from the ſhare you take in the melancholy incident which we all regret, and ſerves as a conſolation to me. I ſee with pleaſure the continuance of that zeal, and true public ſpirit, which I have long experienced in my faithful Commons, by your attention to the ſeveral objects recommended to your conſideration, and particularly to the means of providing againſt a ſcarcity of corn, and for paying the public debt. You may depend upon my invariable attention to the happineſs and proſperity of my kingdom."

Dec. 4. It is ſaid, that the exportation of corn will be prohibited for the ſpace of twelve months; and the importation of all ſorts of grain from America allowed for the ſame time, and from all other parts for a limited time, duty free; and likewiſe that leave will be given for the free importation of all ſorts of proviſions from all parts of the world, duty free.

It is reported that ſtarch-makers will be forbid to uſe wheat for the making ſtarch and hair-powder, of which, it ſeems, they make a vaſt conſumption, and of the very beſt they can come at: And that, by way of compenſation to the revenue, a duty of 20s. per 112lb. will be laid on all foreign ſtarch to be imported;—which will be alſo a ſort of indemnification to the ſtarch-makers themſelves, as it will advance the price of ſtarch as much.---This will be one means of reducing the price of wheat, and will be of great ſervice to the public, but eſpecially to the poor, who want bread, not ſtarch, much leſs hair-powder.

We hear moſt of the preſent Members of Parliament for Scotland, have received injunctions from their Repreſentatives to join with the city of London, and other reſpectable corporations, in their mutual endeavours to obtain an act for reducing the preſent exorbitant price of proviſions, the baneful effects of monopoly and foreſtalling having extended to the northern extremities of the kingdom.

It is ſaid that the expediency of triennial Parliaments will be ſtrongly urged.

Two Eaſt-India Nabobs have offered themſelves as candidates for one town at the next general Election; and that there is likely to be a ſtrong conteſt at Beverley.

Letters from Madrid mention, that the Jeſuits had propoſed the giving up entirely to the Spaniſh crown, the whole province of Paraguay, with the diſcovery of its gold, ſilver, and diamond mines; and even engaged to make the natives ſubſervient to that monarchy, on condition of obtaining of his Catholic Majeſty an aſylum in his dominions, or thoſe of the neighbouring ſtates, through his means.

Letters from Liſbon adviſe, that a diſtemper ſimilar to that in England has broke out among the horſes in that city and neighbourhood, of which many have already died.

Dec. 7. They write from Sicily, that an inſurrection has happened in that iſland, occaſioned by a ſcarcity of bread, in which the populace maſſacreed the Viceroy's guards, took him priſoner, and killed the Prince de Ventimiglia, and hung up ſeveral perſons of diſtinction. The armament preparing at Naples, is intended to quell the inſurgents; but, in the mean time, the people are in ſuch a ferment, that an inſurrection is expected alſo at the laſt mentioned place every day.

Letters from Florence give an account that the people aſſembled in ſuch crowds, one day laſt month, ſtimulated by the powerful motive, want of bread, that one of the gates of their town, at which the Grand Dutcheſs and her huſband were expected to enter, was obliged to be ſhut, and their Highneſſes were compelled to go a great way round in order to get to their palace.

In the Ukraine, the Haydamacks, a wandering and ſavage nation, have made freſh incurſions on their neighbours, in which they pillaged ſeveral diſtricts, and ſlew many perſons.

The homeward bound Eaſt-Indiaman, called the Elizabeth Dorothea, Capt. William Groeve, foundered in the night between the 27th and 28th inſt. off Petten in North-Holland, and all the crew and paſſengers periſhed, except ſix perſons.

They write from the country of the Griſons, that on the 14th inſtant, a fire happened at the town of Zitzers, which in five hours time burnt down near 300 houſes and out houſes. The Catholic church and the Cuſtom-houſe were deſtroyed, and the whole loſs is immenſe. One merchant ſuffered to the amount of 80,000 florins, and the Secretary from his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty to the Griſons, loſt the greateſt part of his fortune by this fire.

Dec. 5. Wedneſday night, landed at Dover, John Wilkes, Eſq; from Flanders.

Mr. Cappadocia, who had the 10,000l. prize in the preſent lottery, had only three tickets. The broker, who bought the ticket, waited on him at his country-houſe, near Stanmore, and was very genteely treated by him, and had a diamond ring, worth 200 guineas, given him as a preſent. What is very remarkable, Mr. Cappadocia, beſides a former prize of 10,000, alſo bought a 10,000 prize in a ſtate lottery, many years ago, for a correſpondent at Calais.

They have received advice at Copenhagen, that there had lately happened a violent irruption of Mount Hecla, in Iceland, whoſe fires were ſeen many leagues diſtant at ſea.

They write from Gibraltar, that the breaking up of the Daniſh company at Algiers, and the departure of their Conſul, had induced the Dey to order all his Corſairs in the Mediterranean, to cruize againſt the ſhips of that nation, which were to be deemed legal prizes.

We are aſſured from authority, that David Roſs, Eſq; late of Covent Garden Theatre, has been adjudged to be the moſt proper perſon to have the management of the Royal Theatre eſtabliſhed at Edinburgh by patent. The known abilities and experience of this Gentleman in his profeſſion, give the ſtrongeſt aſſurance, that the northern Theatre will be able to vie with the neighbouring ones in the moſt rational as well as uſeful amuſement, from which the ſenſible mind is capable of receiving both pleaſure and improvement.

A correſpondent in the country has ſent us the following letter and remarks: "Would you think it poſſible there can be ſuch a wretch exiſting, who goes to church every ſunday, yet, notwithſtanding the late high prices of wheat, has a barn full of that valuable corn, which many months ago was threſhed and cleaned for ſale, and has been withheld from the public in this time of diſtreſs, till the whole is full of weavils and maggots that even the hogs will not eat it. The owner declared that it ſhould not be ſold till the price of wheat roſe to 12s. a buſhel. Upon which our correſpondent makes this remark, that theſe are the people that make the ſtaff of life ſo dear; and aſks, if ſuch rogues are not more detrimental to the kingdom, and more deſerving of a rope, than a highwayman who has only murdered half a dozen of people, ſince, by their criminal conduct the lives of thouſands are brought into jeopardy, and the peace of the nation endangered.

It is ſaid that the provincial troops who ſerved in America the laſt war, and hitherto have had no reward of lands, as the reſt of his Majeſty's troops who ſerved there, are to have lands given them in a new government that is to be formed on the Miſſiſippi; who will not be the only troops, but great numbers alſo of the other inhabitants of the Middle Colonies, will immediately join General Lyman, who is to be Governor, in the ſettlement, as the climate will agree with their conſtitution.

Sherborne, Nov. 30. Laſt week a ſudden fire broke out, and conſumed a large ſtock of wheat, three years old, conſiſting of near one thouſand buſhels, in the pariſh of Huntſpill. The owner, thereof, a rich farmer, thinking the preſent price of wheat at 8s. 4d. a buſhel at Bridgwater market, Winchester meaſure, too little, was determined (if the poor ſtarved, which was his common ſaying,) not a handful ſhould be ſold for leſs than ten ſhillings. *Who will lament his loſs?*

St. James's, Nov. 28. The King has been pleaſed to conſtitute and appoint Thomas Shirley, Eſq; to be Captain-General and Governor in Chief of the Bahama iſlands in America, and the Garriſons there.

St. James's, Dec. 1. The King has been pleaſed to appoint his Grace Auguſtus Henry Fitzroy, Duke of Grafton, the Right Hon. Frederick North, George Onſlow, Pryſe Campbell, and Charles Jenkinſon, Eſqs. to be his Majeſty's Commiſſioners for executing the office of Treaſurer of his Majeſty's Exchequer.

Whitehall, Dec. 5. The King has been pleaſed to grant unto George Cooke and Thomas Townſhend the younger, Eſqrs. the office of Receiver and Paymaſter General of all his Majeſty's guards, garriſons, and land forces (thoſe employed or to be employed by his Majeſty for the ſervice in Ireland, the marine regiments, and ſuch regiments or forces as are or ſhall be under the care and direction of the High Admiral of Great Britain, or Commiſſioners of the Admiralty, for the time being, always excepted) and alſo the office of Paymaſter of all the monies appointed, or ſet apart, for the maintenance of the diſabled and ſuperannuated non commiſſioned officers and officers belonging to his Majeſty's Royal Hoſpital near Chelſea.

Edinburgh Nov. 21. We hear from Iſla, that a very malignant kind of ſmall-pox had raged there for ſometime, whereby great numbers were cut off. But Dr. Lauchlan having introduced inoculation there, in which he has been very ſucceſsful, the fatal effects of that diſtemper have greatly abated.

We hear that about 100 ſail of the Herring Buſſes were well in Portſoag the beginning of this month, but had met with bad ſucceſs.

We hear from Dumbartonſhire, that laſt week great damage had been done to the mills near Luſs, belonging to Sir James Colquhoun, Bart. by the impetuoſity of the torrents from the mountains.

We are informed, that the weſt entry to the bridge of Caſtcart, two miles from Glaſgow, and on the public road to Kilmarnock, is rendered almoſt impaſſable, by the falling of the bank of the water of Cart, being very ſteep at that place, occaſioned by the late extraordinary floods, which has made it very dangerous for paſſengers going that way, eſpecially under cloud of night.

WILLIAMSBURG, Feb. 11.

An ACROSTICAL VALENTINE
addreſſed to *

*MINERVA's choice;--*Apollo*'s fond delight,
In whom fine *ſenſe* and *muſic*'s *charms* unite:
Sweet lovely maid; dear fav'rite of the NINE,
Say, will you be my conſtant VALENTINE?
For you the *Muſe* expands her lapſid wings,
Rears her fall'n pow'rs, and ſtrikes the trembling ſtrings;
At *thy* dear feet ſhe pays the tribute due:
Nor thinks ſhe bends too low to wait on YOU:
Charm'd with *thy* lovely *form*;---thy *muſic* fine;
Extatic raptures all my heart entwine.
So my once lov'd *Celinda* touch'd the keys;
Lovely like YOU----like YOU was form'd to pleaſe!
Early in life the fatal ſummons came,
Wither'd my joys and ſnatch'd the beauteous *dame!*
In YOU dear *nymph*, the REPARATION lies,
Say *you'll* be kind; or *youthful Strephon* dies.

By the Peggy, Capt. Younghuſband, from Liverpool, we learn that the Betſy, Atkinſon, from James river; and the Tom, Clark, from York river; were arrived at that port: And that Capt. Banks was to ſail for York river, by the middle of this month.

The public were informed in our laſt week's paper that there was the greateſt reaſon to believe the further progreſs of the ſmall-pox, in this city, would be prevented; and it is with pleaſure that we think we can now inform them that the ſame is entirely eradicated. All poſſible care is taken, under the inſpection of the Magiſtrates, to cleanſe the houſes where the infected were, and to deſtroy the clothes and other things in which any infection might poſſibly remain.

The above may be depended on

JAMES COCKE, Mayor.

Capt. Mitchell, on his paſſage, in lat. 24:30, long. 52, ſpoke with the ſloop Belleiſle, from Madeira, for Boſton. She had been 110 days at ſea, and was in great diſtreſs for want of proviſions, with which Capt. Mitchell humanely ſupplied her, when ſhe bore away for Antigua.

ARRIVALS from VIRGINIA.

The Madeira Packet, Innis; the Mary and Elizabeth, Donaldſon; the Rachel and Mary, Anderſon; the Trial, Somerville; the John and Preſly, Dobbie; the Charles, Waterman; and the Ruſſia Merchant, Carnaby; at Graveſend.

The Sedly, Cecil; the Sarah, Drew; and the York, Meriwether; at Briſtol.

The Harriot, Herdman; at Aberdeen.

Entered in the upper diſtrict of James *river.*

Jan. 27. Swallow, William Pouſland, from Salem, with 25 hhds. of rum, 15 hhds. of molaſſes, 3 hhds. of loaf ſugar, 150 buſhels of ſalt, and 9 hhds. of wine.

29. Succeſs, John M'Nabb, from London, with European goods.

Entered in the lower diſtrict of James *river.*

Jan. 25. Schooner Betſey, Thomas Baker Armiſtead, from Antigua, with 1 hhd. of rum, and a parcel of copper, part of his outward bound cargo.

Brigantine Molly, Joſhua Williams, from Barbados, in ballaſt.

27. Ship Neptune, John Smith, from Whitehaven, with European goods per 16 cockets and 2 paſſengers.

Schooner Molly, Benjamin Thomas, from Falmouth, with 11 hhds. of rum, 4 boxes of chocolate, 6 quintals of fiſh, 6 barrels of mackerel, 2 dozen of axes, 1 barrel of oil, 1 horſe, 1 piece of woolens, and 3 barrels of ſugar.

28. Ship Lord Camden, John Johnſtoun, from London, with European goods, per 40 cockets, 16 indented ſervants, and 8 paſſengers.

Brigantine Archibald, Patrick Gordon, from St. Vincent, with 34 barrels of limes, 1 caſk of coffee, and 1 caſk of cocoa.

30. Schooner Friendſhip, Richard Conway, from Martinico, with 29 hhds. of molaſſes.

Feb. 2. Brigantine John & Unity, John Crew, from Antigua, with 27 hhds. of rum, 10 boxes of chocolate, 1 bundle and 2 caſks of leather, 2 boxes of ſoap, 3 boxes of candles, 9 barrels of train oil, ſix ſpinning wheels, 7 wheat fans, 1 box of chair bottoms, 2 millſtones, 12 kegs of bread, 2 anvils, 2 vices, 1 ſtove, 1 cheſt of tea, 4 hhds. of molaſſes, 4 hhds. 3 tierces and 4 barrels of loaf ſugar, 1 tierce and 2 caſks of coffee, 1 bale of ſaddlery, 1 keg of pimento, 24 bottles of ſnuff, and 1 paſſenger.

Cleared.

Jan. 21. Ship Carrittie, James Frazer, for Jamaica, with 4425 ſtaves and heading, 18,500 feet of ſcantling, 5500 hoops, 5411 feet of plank, 90,000 ſhingles, and 64 oars,

21. Ship Peggy, John Walkinſhaw, for Cadiz, with 8020 buſhels of wheat, 300 barrels of flour, 3 caſks of bees wax, 18,000 ſtaves, and 3000 feet of plank.

27. Ship Fanny, James Anderſon, for Madeira, with 1429 buſhels of wheat, 920 buſhels of corn, and 4000 ſtaves.

Sloop Tryal, Lachlin Lamount, for Jamaica, with 35,000 ſtaves and heading, 16,000 ſhingles, and 8 pumps.

30. Schooner Anne, James Johnſon, for Barbados, with 2500 buſhels of corn, 200 buſhels of peaſe, 15 barrels of pork, 10,000 ſhingles, and ſome live ſtock.

Sloop Molly, Francis Robertſon, for Bermuda, with 1500 buſhels of corn, 190 buſhels of peaſe, 77 barrels of pork, and ſome live ſtock.

Ship Argyle, Alexander Mackenley, for Glaſgow, with 454 hhds. of tobacco, and 18,600 ſtaves.

Feb. 1. Schooner Hawke, Wilſon Roſcow Bayley, for St. Kitts, with 900 buſhels of corn, 100 barrels of pork, 500 buſhels of peaſe, 13 buſhels and a half of beans, 2000 lb. of bacon, 14,400 ſhingles, and ſome live ſtock.

A FULL MEETING of the OHIO COMPANY is deſired, on *Tueſday* the 23d day of *February*, at *Stafford* court-houſe, on buſineſs of importance.

G. MASON, Treaſurer.

STAFFORD, *Feb.* 6, 1768.

THE Family of Mr. *George Harding*, late of *Halifax* county, (who lately left it, to ſettle his affairs in *Stafford* county) are hereby informed that he was there taken ill, and died ſuddenly.

To be SOLD, *on* Monday *the laſt day of* February, *at the* Rocky Ridge,

A PARCEL of valuable *Virginia* born SLAVES,

for ready money.

To be SOLD *at public* AUCTION, *on* Wedneſday *the 9th of* March, *if fair, otherwiſe the next fair day,*

THE LAND and PLANTATION whereon STERLING THORNTON lately dwelt, near *Peterſburg.*

At the ſame place and time, will be SOLD,

ABOUT

25 SLAVES.

CREDIT till the firſt of *October*, giving ſecurity to the executors of *Peter Randolph*, Eſq;

Tappahannock, Feb 4, 1768.

WHEREAS Capt. *Robert Gordon*, of the *Sally*, is not now in the country, and I underſtand ſeveral people have not got all their goods, which were ſhipp'd by him laſt year from London; I'll be obliged to any (on his account) who have received any packages that do not belong to them, to adviſe me of them, that I may endeavour to get them forwarded to the owners; and thoſe that have not received their goods, to adviſe me, that I may advertiſe them, and endeavour to find out where they are. Mr *Archibald Govan*, at *Aylett's* Warehouſe, wants a caſe PWM in a piece, with an M at top, No. 3, and Mr. *Thomas Reid*, of *Northumberland*, a caſe, IM^c No. 82. Any perſons who have thoſe packages, I'll be obliged to them to forward them to the owners, and I'll pay the freight of them, on account of the Captain.

There is a ſmall ſheeted box in my warehouſe, marked L in a diamond and A, and ſeveral faggots of ſteel without mark or number, and a good many looſe bars, which the owners may have ſent to them, on adviſing me, and ſending me their bills of loading.

Mr. *Thoroughgood Smith*, of *Onancocke*, acquainted me there was a bale, which he took to be rolls, in his warehouſe, marked B in a diamond, No. 1, and that he wanted of his goods, one neſt of gilt trunks, No. 2, 2 barrels of nails, No. 4 and 6, and 1 barrel of gunpowder, but mentioned no mark.

ARCHIBALD M^cCALL.

To be SOLD *by the Subſcriber,*

A VALUABLE TRACT of LAND in ISLE of WIGHT county, containing by eſtimation 750 acres; whereon is a dwelling-houſe of brick, 40 by 30 feet, with a paſſage, and four rooms on a floor, a new kitchen underpinned with brick, with a brick chimney and gable end, two Negro quarters, two good barns, the one 52 by 24, and the other 40 by 20 feet, a good ſtable, and ſundry other out-houſes. ——Alſo eleven hundred bearing apple trees of the choiceſt fruits, a great number of peach, and a variety of other fruit trees, ſuch as apricots, plumbs, and cherries, of the moſt approved kinds The ſituation of the place is very beautiful, from an extenſive proſpect, on *James* river, and convenient to church, mills, &c. The land is well timbered, and part thereof very good; the ſoil being well adapted to the cultivation of tobacco, corn and other grain, particularly wheat, of which it produces exceeding fine, without manure.

CREDIT will be allowed for half the purchaſe money, till *April* 1769; and for the other half till the *April* then next following.——For further particulars, enquire of

DOLPHIN DREW.

Maryland, Jan. 22, 1768.

PRINCE-GEORGE's county RACES.

ON *Wedneſday* the 4th of *May* next, will be run for, over the courſe near *Upper Marlborough*, a ſubſcription purſe of ONE HUNDRED POUNDS currency, free for any horſe, mare or gelding, riſing 4 years old to carry 8 ſtone (bridle and ſaddle included) if five years old, 8 ſtone 10 pounds, if ſix, 9 ſtone 6 pounds, and if aged, 10 ſtone.

On the day following, will be run for, on the ſame terms, a purſe of twenty five pounds currency, the winning horſe, the preceding day, excepted:——To run for the purſes agreeable to the King's plate articles.——Start preciſely at 2 o'clock each day, and enter with Mr. *Benjamin Brookes* on *Monday* the ſecond, when each party muſt name and produce a certificate of the age of what he propoſes to ſtart.——Each jockey to appear with a neat waiſtcoat, cap and half boots. A horſe winning two clear heats, ſhall not be obliged to ſtart a third. Any jockey detected in unfair behaviour, ſhall be deemed diſtanced——Non ſubſcribers to pay five pounds entrance for the firſt day, and twenty five ſhillings for the ſecond——Subſcribers three pounds for the firſt day, and fifteen ſhillings for the ſecond.

Judges will be appointed, to determine all diſputes, and the money to be paid as ſoon as they ſhall pronounce their deciſion.

N. B. On Tueſday the third, a match will be run over the courſe, for 50 guineas.

York county, *February* 9, 1768.

I HEREBY requeſt the favour of the Commanding Officers of the middle diſtrict, to appoint their general muſters on the following days, viz.

Williamſburg,	Tueſday	8th	March.
James City,	Thurſday	10th	ditto.
New-Kent,	Friday	11th	ditto.
Accomack,	Tueſday	15th	ditto.
Northampton,	Thurſday	17th	ditto.
Elizabeth City,	Monday	21ſt	ditto.
Warwick,	Wedneſday	23d	ditto.
York,	Thurſday	24th	ditto.
Glouceſter,	Monday	28th	ditto.
Middleſex,	Tueſday	29th	ditto.
King & Queen,	Wedneſday	30th	ditto.
King William,	Thurſday	31ſt	ditto.
Eſſex,	Monday	4th	April.
Louiſa,	Monday	11th	ditto.
Goochland,	Wedneſday	13th	ditto.
Hanover,	Friday	15th	ditto.
Henrico,	Monday	18th	ditto.
Charles City,	Wedneſday	20th	ditto.

At which time they may depend on my waiting upon them, to diſcharge my duty.

ALEX^r. FINNIE, Adjutant.

By virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias, *to me directed, will be ſold to the higheſt bidder, at* Urbanna, *on the firſt* Tueſday *in* March, *if fair, if not, the firſt fair day,*

A VALUABLE TRACT of LAND in *Middleſex* county, whereon *Joſiah Morgan* now lives; on which is a very good dwelling-houſe, kitchen, and other out houſes, good apple and peach orchards, pleaſantly ſituated on *Pianketank* river, where it affords variety of fiſh at all ſeaſons; to ſatisfy a debt due from the late *William Morgan*, to *Samuel Boſworth* and *Maurice Griffith*, merchants in *London*, taken in execution by

OVERTON COSBY,
For
JAMES MILLS, Sheriff.

Tappahannock, Feb. 1, 1768.

RUN away the 30th of *January*, an *Engliſh* ſervant man named *Joſeph Green*, a labourer, about 35 years of age, 5 feet 8 or ten inches high: He is a freſh looking man, has curled black hair, and is pitted with the ſmall pox; his ſpeech is remarkable and will eaſily detect him if taken notice of. He had on when he went away, a white negro cotton jacket, with a ſmall cape and metal buttons on it, and breeches of the ſame, an oſnabrig ſhirt, plaid ſtockings, and country made ſhoes tied with leather ſtrings, and an old felt hat cock'd. He has been ſeen to have paper and ink, ſo may probably have forged a paſs. Any perſon who will take up the ſaid ſervant, and deliver him to the ſubſcriber, ſhall have forty ſhillings reward.

ARCHIBALD M^cCALL.

KINGSMILL, *Feb.* 9, 1768.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, on *Friday* laſt, a negro man named JOHNNY, tho' more commonly known by the name of JACK ASH. He is a ſhort well ſet black fellow, has ſmall eyes, and thoſe generally red. It is uncertain what clothes he may have, as thoſe he had on when he went away, have been found near the water ſide, I ſuppoſe, to prevent any inquiry, and to favor his making his eſcape out of the colony, as he might think I ſhould ſuſpect he had drowned himſelf. All maſters of veſſels are deſired to be careful not to carry him out of the colony, as they may depend on being proſecuted with rigour, if it can be proved. Whoever ſecures him, and delivers him to me, ſhall receive FIVE POUNDS reward, if taken in this colony, and TEN if taken in any other.

LEWIS BURWELL.

STRAY'D from the ſubſcriber, near *Newcaſtle* in *Hanover* county, laſt *May*, a ſmall dark bay or black mare, her brand unknown, a ſtar ~~in her forehead~~, a very large ſcar on one of her fore legs above the footlock joint, 4 years old laſt ſpring, had been rid very little, both trots and paces, and is a neat round made mare. She was bred in *Charlotte* county, and was anxious to get back; but it is ſuppoſed is ſtopped by ſomebody. Any perſon that will give ſuch intelligence that I may get her, either to Mr. *Daniel Price*, inſpector at *Byrd's* warehouſe, or my ſelf, ſhall have 20*ſ.* reward.

ELISHA WHITE.

TAKEN up by the ſubſcriber, at Col. *Burwell's* mill, in *Mecklenburg*, a black and white pied ſteer, with a ſlope under and over in the left ear, and a ſlope under the right. Poſted and appraiſed to three pounds.

JOHN JEFFERIES, jun^r.

NORFOLK

ALL perſons who have againſt the eſtate of *terton*, deceaſed, are requeſ them known; And all th debted to the ſaid eſtate, are de make ſpeedy payment, to

GEORGE ABYVON, Adm^r.

THE ſubſcriber, near NEWCASTLE in *Hanover* county, has erected a ſaw mill, and will ſell the beſt plank on very reaſonable terms. As it is ſituated in a neighbourhood abounding with moſt excellent pine, I can venture to engage to furniſh any gentlemen, who may favour me with their cuſtom, not only with ſtuff cut in the beſt manner, but alſo of the beſt quality. I propoſe to ſell cheap, and will on the moſt reaſonable terms, deliver it at *Newcaſtle*; and if any gentleman will contract for a large quantity, I will raft it down the river.

ELISHA WHITE.

JANUARY, 17, 1768.

To be SOLD, on Tueſday *the 1ſt day of* March *next, at* LAYTON's *warehouſe, in* Eſſex *county,*

THIRTY CHOICE VIRGINIA born SLAVES;

belonging to the eſtate of Mr. WILLIAM BROOKE, deceaſed. Twelve months credit will be allowed the purchaſer, on giving bond, with good ſecurity, to the Executors, or

RICHARD HIPKINS.

Five per cent. diſcount for ready money.

STOLEN or ſtrayed from the ſubſcriber in *June* laſt, a bay horſe, 8 years old laſt ſpring, about 14 hands high, paces very well, with good courage, and requires to be held with a tight rein, has a large ſtar in his forehead, both hind feet white, one fore foot ſpotted, a patch on his off hind thigh darker than the reſt, being galled by plowing, and is remarkable for ſtamping at his food. He is branded on the near ſhoulder SH very dull, and on his near buttock HG in a piece, very plain. Whoever will contrive the ſaid horſe to me in the *Robinſon* fork, in *Culpeper* county, ſhall receive 20s. reward, and no queſtions aſked by

RICHARD VAWTER.

Frederickſburg, Jan. 25, 1768.

HAVING formerly advertiſed ſundry lands and tenements for ſale, in the counties of *Spotſylvania*, *King George*, and *Fauquier*, and no agreeable offer being made, I am apprehenſive it may be occaſioned by the prevailing notion of many people advertiſing their eſtates without a real intent of ſelling. As that cuſtom only prevails with men of fortune, I trouble the public with this further notice, that the tenor of my former advertiſement will be complied with, whenever in my power. The plantation whereon I live, containing 100 acres of land, well wooded and watered, within half a mile of the flouriſhing pleaſant town of *Falmouth*, commanding an entire view of this town, and near three miles down the river *Rappahannock*, is now for ſale. The houſes are good and convenient, and the place in good repair. At the ſame place, on *Saturday* the 19th of *March* next, if fair, if not, on the *Monday* following, will be expoſed to ſale, ſundry houſhold and kitchen furniture. I propoſe either to ſell, or rent, the land and ſaw-mill in *Fauquier*. If ſold, half the purchaſe money to be paid in *June*, when poſſeſſion will be given; the other half in *October* following. A diſcount at the rate of 5 *per cent. per annum*, will be allowed for ready caſh, to enable me to aſſiſt my creditors ſpeedily. For further particulars, I refer to my former advertiſement, having been full therein. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe any part of my lands advertiſed, may view the premiſes on applying before the day of ſale. Thoſe to whom I am indebted may meet with great bargains, being determined to ſatisfy my creditors. Thoſe who have paid no regard to my former advertiſement, as debtors, may take my word in this, unleſs ſpeedy payment be made, for all accompts ſtanding more than twelve months, the ſame will be put into an Attorney's hands. I ſhall take it extremely kind of thoſe who have any intentions of purchaſing, either lands or chattels, that they will make it known as ſoon as poſſible. Such ſhall have the particular thanks of

Their moſt obedient humble ſervant,

RICHARD LEWIS.

P. S. I have a large aſſortment of harneſs and ſaddlery ready made on hand; alſo a quantity of very good plank at my ſaw-mill, for ſale. A journeyman, whoſe honeſty, ability, and induſtry, can recommend him in the harneſs way, will meet with encouragement by applying to R. L.

...MEETING of the ...PPI COMPANY ...ſhire court-houſe in *Virginia*, ...the 21ſt of *March* 1768.

...ſburg, *Jan.* 16, 1768.
...TEND to leave the Colony ſoon.
RICHARD JAMES.

THE ſubſcriber begs leave to inform the public, that he now keeps the tavern at *King William* court-houſe, where all Gentlemen, travellers, and others, may depend on being well entertained, as he is determined to keep the beſt of tables and liquors; and the greateſt care will be taken of their horſes, both for ſtablage and paſturage. His reaſon for advertiſing, is, that the houſe has been diſorderly and ill kept; but he flatters himſelf, it will ſoon have a different character, as no pains or expence will be ſpared to give ſatisfaction, by the public's moſt obedient humble ſervant,
HOLT RICHESON.

VIRGINIA, *ſs.*

By the Hon. FRANCIS FAUQUIER, *Eſq; his Majeſty's Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander in Chief of the ſaid colony and dominion,*

A Proclamation

For the Meeting of the
GENERAL ...SEMBLY.

WHEREAS ...ENERAL ASSEMBLY ...ood prorogued to the firſt *Thurſday* in *May* next; and it is judged neceſſary for his Majeſty's ſervice, and the honor and intereſt of this colony, that the ſaid Aſſembly ſhould meet ſooner; I have therefore thought fit, by and with the advice of his Majeſty's Council, by this Proclamation in his Majeſty's name, to order, that the ſaid Aſſembly meet on the laſt day of *March* next, at the Capitol in *Williamſburg*, for the diſpatch of important buſineſs I ſhall then recommend to them.

GIVEN under my Hand, and the ſeal of the colony, at *Williamſburg*, this 22d day of *January* 1768, and in the 8th year of his Majeſty's reign.

Francis Fauquier.

GOD ſave the KING.

STRAYED from the ſubſcriber, when in *Amelia* county, about the middle of *November* laſt, a bay roan horſe, branded on the near buttock with three dots ∴ is a natural pacer, near 5 feet high, with a hanging mane, and ſwitch tail. Whoever brings the ſaid horſe to me in *Orange* county, *Carolina*, or to *Robert Donald in Warwick, Virginia*, will receive 50s. reward.
JAMES SANDERS.

January 22, 1768.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the ſubſcriber about the 25th day of *October* laſt, a ſorrel horſe, about 14 hands high, branded F F, and had a bell on marked FREDERICK FISHBACK. He is a very good ſaddle horſe, about 5 years old, with a blaze in his face, and a flaxen mane and tail. Whoever will bring, or contrive me the ſaid horſe, into *Culpeper* county, in the *Little Fork* of *Rappahannock* river, ſhall have 40*ſ.* if taken in *Virginia*, and if taken out of the colony, 5*l.* reward, paid by
FREDERICK FISHBACK.

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MISCELLANIES
IN
Proſe and Verſe.

By RICHARD HARTSWELL, *deceaſed.*

HANOVER, *January* 23, 1768.

THE ſubſcriber intending to leave this colony in a few months, deſires that all perſons indebted to the ſtore kept by him at Major JOHN BOSWELL's, will immediately come and ſettle their accounts, either by diſcharging the ſame, or giving bonds. This requeſt, he flatters himſelf, will, to all concerned, appear reaſonable and neceſſary, in order to obviate any diſputes that may hereafter ariſe with his ſucceſſor. For this purpoſe he will continue his reſidence at Major *Boſwell's* till the firſt day of *March* next, in which time he hopes that all due regard will be paid to this advertiſement. The ſtore will be continued to it's uſual extent, by Mr. WILLIAM DONALD, and the ſame indulgence as has been cuſtomary, may be from him expected.
HUGH McMEKIN.

Frederickſburg, Jan. 27, 1768.

I INTEND to leave the Colony ſhortly, for *Britain*.
NATHANIEL STEVENSON.

KING & QUEEN county, *Jan.* 19.

To be SOLD *by the ſubſcriber, on* Tueſday *the* 16*th of* February *next, if fair, if not, the next fair day, on the premiſes, to the higheſt bidder,*

NEAR one thouſand acres of good land, pleaſantly ſituated on *Mattepony* river, in *King & Queen* county; in good order for cropping, with the following improvements; a two ſtory brick houſe, with 4 rooms on a floor, and all neceſſary out-houſes; a large apple orchard; a good fiſhery, and a large wild oat marſh, with the ſtock and fodder. One half of the purchaſe money to be paid next *April*; the other half in *April* 1769. Good bonds that are on demand, will ſuit for the whole purchaſe.
EDWARD VOSS.

For ſale,

PIG, BAR, and CAST IRON, on reaſonable terms, juſt below *Newpoſt*, on *Rappahannock* river.

Wanted,

A quantity of CORN, for which either of the above articles may be had, on receipt of the corn, caſh at the *June Oyer*, or ſuch bills of exchange, or bills of lading for iron ſhipped, as I ſhall receive.

About *April* will be wanted, a large, ſtrong, tight VESSEL, fit for the bay, well found, with good anchors, cables, ſails, &c. and a good navigator, as no delays can be admitted of on account of the immediate want of the ore to melt this ſpring and ſummer.

A large quantity of OYSTERSHELLS wanted, for which ready money, dry goods, or iron, may be had.

The greateſt punctuality may be depended on, as I am impowered by the articles entered into with the Honourable PRESLY THORNTON, Eſq; and Mr. WILLIAM FITZHUGH, of *Somerſet*, to cover all my engagements prior to the payment of any debt. Therefore I ſhall expect punctuality with all thoſe I ſhall have any concerns with.
JOHN HOLLADAY.

December 10, 1767.

RUN away laſt night from the ſubſcriber, four convict ſervant men, named *William Alexander, Edward Williams, Henry Johnſon*, and *George M'kay*, all of them *Engliſhmen*.

ALEXANDER, is about 5 feet 10 inches high, of a dark complexion, and much pitted with the ſmall-pox. Had on when he went off, a blue coat with metal buttons, red ſcarlet jacket, and red pluſh breeches. He appears to a ſtranger at firſt view to wear a very ſober face, and talks but little.

WILLIAMS, about 5 feet 9 inches high, of a fair complexion, wore a light coloured wig, and fine hat, with a black ribband and a metal buckle in it round the crown, a blue Surtout or Newmarket coat, a claret coloured coat and jacket, buckſkin breeches, and very bad ſhoes.

JOHNSON, about the ſame height with *Williams*, but a little darker in the complexion. He had on a blue Newmarket coat, with a large cape to it, jacket and breeches of the ſame colour, double breaſted and trimmed with black horn buttons; he has a large ſcar on his head, talks much, coarſe and hoarſe, and very quarrelſome when drunk.

M'KAY, about 5 feet 3 inches high, of a fair complexion, well look'd, very briſk, lively and full of ſpirits. Had on a *Dutch* cap, a ſmall curled brown wig, a white duffil jacket, double breaſted, with lapels, and a flannel jacket under it, a pair of light coloured everlaſting breeches, new ſhoes, and odd buckles in them.

As they have robbed the reſt of the ſervants of ſundries, they may change their dreſs.

Whoever apprehends the above ſervants, and delivers them to Mr. *James Anderſon* at *Portmicou*, Mr. *William Weddrop* at *Hobb's-Hole*, or the ſubſcriber at *Frederickſburg*, ſhall have FIVE POUNDS reward.
ROBERT PHILLIPS.

TAKEN up on *Broad Run*, near *Daniel James*'s ferry, *Loudoun* county, a ſmall black mare, with a blaze in her face, about 13 hands high, or ſomething under; ſhod before, and had on when ſhe came to me, a ſmall bell; but has no perceivable brand.
WILLIAM LITTLETON.

November 2, 1767.

Ten Pounds Reward.

RUN away laſt night from the ſubſcriber, on the great road near *Abbot's Town, York* county, *Pennſylvania*, the two following indented ſervants, viz.

WILLIAM JOHNSTON, about 5 feet 7 inches high, 25 years of age, of a ruddy complexion, round fac'd, brown hair ſhort cut, and ſpeaks good *Engliſh*. Had on when he went away, a blue cloth coat much worn, old trowſers and woollen drawers under them; his cloaths are much greaſed, as he is lately from the ſhip; alſo an old ſhirt much dirtied, a new felt hat, new ſhoes and black ſtockings, &c. The ſaid *Johnſton* was in the country before, and goes by the trade of a painter, limner, and glazier.

JOHN LAMB, about 5 feet 7 inches high, and about 25 years of age; of a ruddy complexion, long viſag'd, brown hair pretty long, ſpeaks thick, and has a ſtern look; is apt to ſwear, and given to drink, and is a taylor by trade. Had on when he went away, a ſuit of blue cloaths, middling good, with Bath metal buttons; his cloaths much greaſed, as he is lately from the ſhip.

Whoever takes up the ſaid ſervants, and ſecures them in any gaol, ſo as the ſubſcriber may get them again, ſhall receive the above reward; or five pounds reward for each, and reaſonable charges, paid by *Dekar Thompſon*, Merchant in *Falmouth*; Capt. *James Dickey*, in *King & Queen* county; Dr. *Walker*, in *Albemarle* county; or the ſubſcriber in *Auguſta* county, *Brock's Gap, Virginia*.
JOHN GRATTAN.

VIRGINIA, *ſc.*

At a GENERAL COURT *held at the Capitol the 5th Day of* November, 1767.

William Mountjoy, *Plaintiff*, *againſt* John Knox, Patrick *and* William Bogle, Collin Dunlop, Gavin Lawſon *and* John Wathington, *Defendants*, } In Chancery.

THE defendants *Patrick, William* and *Collin*, being beyond ſea, and not having entered their appearance according to the rule of this court, on the motion of the plaintiff by his counſel, It is ordered, that the other defendants, who have effects of the ſaid *Patrick, William* and *Collin*, in their hands, as is ſuggeſted, do not pay, convey away, or ſecrete, ſuch effects, until the further order and decree of this court concerning the ſame; but that they deliver up ſuch effects, or ſo much thereof as will be of value ſufficient, to ſatisfy the demand of the plaintiff, to the ſaid plaintiff, upon his giving ſecurity to the clerk of this court for the return of the ſaid effects, in ſuch manner, and to ſuch perſons, as the court ſhall hereafter direct: And it is further ordered, that the ſaid *Patrick, William* and *Collin*, do appear here on the firſt day of the next court, and anſwer the plaintiff's bill; and that a copy of this order be, within fifteen days, inſerted in the *Virginia* Gazette, for two months ſucceſſively; and be publiſhed immediately after divine ſervice on ſome Lord's day in the church of the pariſh of *Hanover*, in the county of *King George*; and poſted up at the front door of the CAPITOL, in the city of *Williamſburg*.
2m. BEN: WALLER, C. G. C.

TAKEN up in *Suſſex* county, a black mare, about 2 years old laſt ſpring, about 4 feet 6 inches high, branded on the near ſhoulder and buttock G R, her left hind foot white to the footlock, and has a large blaze down her face. She is very gentle. Poſted and appraiſed to 6*l.*
EDWARD PETTWAY.

November 20, 1767.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND lying in *King William* county, pleaſantly ſituated on *Mattapony* river, whereon Col. *Thomas Moore* now lives, containing 500 acres, to which is added about 40 or 50 acres of marſh, which produces good hay, and is capable of great improvement: On the plantation is a commodious brick houſe, two ſtories high, four rooms on a floor, two of them with a large paſſage, is handſomely wainſcotted, four large cellars, and cellar paſſage, the partitions are brick to the top. The out-houſes are good and large, of which there are for every convenience, all in good repair, fit to be entered on immediately. There is alſo on the ſaid plantation, an orchard of about 2 or 300 bearing crab trees, with a large garden, in good order. The land is good either for grain or tobacco, and well timbered. A veſſel of 250 tons burthen may load oppoſite the houſe. It is a very convenient ſituation for carrying on a *Weſt-India* trade, lying in the heart of a grain country. It alſo has the advantage of fine fiſhing and fowling. £. 500 of the purchaſe money to be paid in *April* next: For the remainder, one, two, or three years credit will be given, as may be agreed on, by applying to either of the ſubſcribers in *Hanover* county.
GEORGE THOMAS,
tf JOHN SMITH.

TO BE SOLD.

FOUR hundred and ſixteen acres of LAND, lying in *King William* county, about two miles above the court-houſe, on the main road leading to *Teaſ's Bridge*, being the place where Dr. *Strachan* lived. There is a good dwelling-houſe, with brick chimnies, and two rooms upon a floor, well finiſhed, and all convenient out houſes, apple and peach orchards, good water, and very convenient to church, mill, and court-houſe. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe, may know the terms by applying to the ſubſcriber, in the ſaid county.
THOMAS MOORE.

Charles City, September 28, 1767.

TO BE SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND, on *Dan* river, near *Boyd's* ford, containing 1010 acres, about 500 of which is very fine low ground. Alſo, one other tract, on *Banniſter* river, containing about 1300 acres; five hundred of this is fine low ground, and the high land extremely good; both theſe plantations are in excellent order for cropping, with fifteen hands each. Alſo, one other tract, of about 1600 acres, in *Brunſwick* county, near *Sweed's* bridge; this is fine lively land, about 30 miles from *Bolling's Point*, has good buildings on it, and is in good order for cropping. On the above plantations, are large ſtocks, and about ſixty negroes; the whole or any part of which will be ſold. For terms apply to
BENJAMIN HARRISON.

STRAYED or ſtolen in *November* laſt, out of Mrs. *Wood's* paſture, near *Winchеſter*, a black gelding about 16 hands high, branded on the near buttock R G, has a large ſtar in his forehead, and a ſnip on his noſe, and is about 8 years old.

Whoever brings the ſaid horſe to the ſubſcriber in *Alexandria*, or to the Rev. Mr. *Sebaſtian* in *Winchеſter*, ſhall receive a reward of FIVE POUNDS paid by
TOWNSHEND DADE, junior.

SCHEME *of a* LOTTERY

FOR diſpoſing of one hundred and forty-ſix LOTS of LAND, in the town of *Hanover*, yet remaining unſold. The leaſt valuable of the lots, according to the prices of thoſe moſt remote from the river, which have been ſold, not being leſs than £. 20, which is far below what was given for ſeveral near the river.

	lots	value	rents
		£.	£.
Inſpection at *Page's*, 5 lots at 12 years purchaſe,	-	840	70
Do. *Crutchfield's*, 6 lots at do.	-	720	60
		1560	130
Lots improved, each half acre, at £. 20 -	135	2700	
		4260	130
137 Prizes. - - - - -	137		
263 Blanks.			
400 Tickets at £. 10 each,	-	4000	

The ſaid lottery will be drawn at Mr. *Anthony Hay's* in *Williamſburg*, on the 4th *Thurſday* in *April* 1768. Thoſe who do not pay for their tickets on the day of drawing, may give bond to carry intereſt from that time. *Robert Carter Nicholas, George Wythe, Thomas Everard, John Thompſon*, and *Jerman Baker*, Eſqrs; managers, or any three, of whom tickets may be had, and of the ſubſcriber.
MANN PAGE.

THE executors having been diſappointed in the SALE of the LANDS belonging to the late Col. *Charles Carter*, of *King George* (according to act of aſſembly impowering them) at Mr. *Neavill's* ordinary, on the 15th of *September*, as before advertiſed, give notice, that they are at all times ready to treat with any perſon for any part of thoſe Lands, *to wit*, Fourteen thouſand acres of valuable high and low grounds, in *Prince William* and *Fauquier* counties, on *Broad Run* and *Kettle Run*, which are already laid off in lots; within 25 or 30 miles of public navigation, both on *Potowmack* and *Rappahannock* rivers, abounding in fine ſtreams for mills, and timber very ſufficient for all kinds of plantation uſe.
LANDON CARTER,
tf CHARLES CARTER.

To be SOLD, on twelve Months Credit,

ABOUT Twenty Thouſand Acres of Land, in the County of *Amherſt*. Apply to Col. *William Cabell* (who is Attorney for the Executors of *Philip Grymes*, Eſq; deceaſed, and lives in the County of *Amherſt*) or to the Subſcriber.
LUNSFORD LOMAX, jun.

N. B. An indiſputable Title will be made, and the Land laid off in Lots, as may ſuit the Purchaſers.

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